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JANUARY 1991 AARC MEETING  
January 4, 1991

The January meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. by W17BOR, president.

Ed Bosco announced our scheduled guest speaker was unable to attend and the alternate that was asked called at the last minute and said he was unable to attend also. (We will have to catch up with them later.) There were other matters however that needed to be addressed and that became the program for the evening.

Introductions were made. There were a few faces in attendance that have not been there for awhile.

With the gaming license issue so important to us as a club and for our support to the education of ham radio and our promotion of helping out emergency services Fred Toliver and Fred Wegmer clued us in on what is going on with our gaming licenses.

The club has lost approximately 3/5 (that's over 1/2!) of its money for the above support from the gaming license changes that Charlie Cole, the State Attorney General has declared illegal. That is a lot of support that we have been giving throughout the state for education and emergency services.

Needless to say to be able to continue to help out these agencies and schools for the education of ham radio and for emergency equipment that WE may need one of these days the club needs your support. Write, call, send telegrams to all your legislators and let them know how you feel about the new law. If we can get enough support from club members and any others (let everyone else know too) that would have an interest (the whole state in case of emergency) have them write also. We need the support of EVERYONE and not just those who have lost their money from this type of support. With the cutback in state spending on a lot of the charity functions they are also looking for support. The more groups that rally together the harder it is to ignore the issue!

During the break a special board meeting was held to elect the chairman for the games and his/her alternate. (Copy of the minutes of this meeting are reported elsewhere in the newsletter.)

Bill Reiter, the club license trustee, updated the club on the status of the club call for the Iditarod Race repeaters. The identifiers are in the process of being removed and for those who wish to support the Iditarod race will have to use their own licenses and be responsible for any traffic they put on the air.

Bill Capers explained the history of our involvement with the race and said that when the race started it was an Alaska race and not the commercial type race it has become. The hams were in



the beginning keeping track of the racers as there were no other type of communications at the checkpoints. Now there are only three checkpoints, two on the southern route and one on the northern route, that do not have telephone capabilities. The club also received a letter from the Iditarod committee that they did not need our help. With all these reasons the board and the trustee decided to take the call sign from the repeaters and let those who wished be involved but the responsibility will no longer be with the club.

Ed Bosco read a letter from Magadan. See another page as Harvey Rookus was going to put it in the newsletter. Hopefully the pictures that accompanied the letter are there also.

Rebecca Gibson attended the club meeting and told how she was involved with the trip she is making to Moldavia and that the club contributed to. She will be making a presentation of her trip when she gets back.

There will be a meeting dealing with packet upcoming. Watch for it in the newsletter.

The drawing was held and then the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Submitted by your club secretary, NL7AB, Muriel Attwood.

January 1991 Board Meeting January 9, 1991

Those in attendance were: AL7BK, NL7DL, AL7BB, KL7YF, KL7IKX, KL7ITI, AL7IM, KL7HD, KL7HM, N5FYW, KL7HFM, KL7NR and NL7DK. Called to order by VP Kathy KL7NR at approx 1910.

Lance AL7BK says no extracurricular activity as he is going back to school. Pull Tabs etc.: Fred KL7HFM told us about the letters he has written to Legislators re: Gambling license changes. Suggests we all write to shake up the troops. Don't forget, that is our income they are playing with. Rebecca Gibson told a little about her upcoming trip to Moldavia, USSR. Board presented her with a check to help with her expenses. A new antenna is needed for the Rabbitt Creek site. Motion made, seconded and passed to purchase same. General discussion followed with adjournment at 1940 +- Submitted by NL7DK  
ps Fur Rondy Dog races are Feb 15-16-17

|                                   | CALL   | FROM       | TO            |
|-----------------------------------|--------|------------|---------------|
| <b>ANCHORAGE</b>                  |        |            |               |
| SIMON W. CARRAWAY                 |        | NO LICENSE | TECHNICIAN    |
| DEBRA S. FENRICH                  | WL7BZO | NOVICE     | TECHNICIAN    |
| PAMELA K. JENNINGS                |        | NOVICE     | TECHNICIAN    |
| JESSIE A. LAWRENCE                |        | NOVICE     | TECHNICIAN    |
| MICHAEL LIVINGSTON                |        | TECHNICIAN | GENERAL       |
| <b>BETHEL</b>                     |        |            |               |
| ANDREW P. ANGSTMAN (9 years old)  |        | NO LICENSE | NOVICE        |
| SUZANNE L. ANGSTMAN               |        | NO LICENSE | NOVICE        |
| MICHELLE E. GRANT (10 years old)  |        | NO LICENSE | NOVICE        |
| ABATCH HAMILTON (12 years old)    |        | NO LICENSE | NOVICE        |
| CATHLEEN L. HEPLER (11 years old) |        | NO LICENSE | NOVICE        |
| DONALD P. HEPLER                  |        | NO LICENSE | TECHNICIAN    |
| MICHAEL J. FRANKS (11 years old)  |        | NO LICENSE | NOVICE        |
| GREGORY A. LEE                    | WL7BWK | NOVICE     | TECHNICIAN    |
| JACQUES L. LONGPRE (10 years old) |        | NO LICENSE | NOVICE        |
| MARIA K. MAZE (10 years old)      |        | NO LICENSE | NOVICE        |
| CONNIE J. PETER                   |        | NO LICENSE | NOVICE        |
| REBEKAH A. PETER (11 years old)   |        | NO LICENSE | NOVICE        |
| MARY C. REARDEN                   |        | NO LICENSE | NOVICE        |
| <b>BIG LAKE</b>                   |        |            |               |
| <b>BYERS LAKE</b>                 |        |            |               |
| <b>EAGLE RIVER</b>                |        |            |               |
| <b>FAIRBANKS</b>                  |        |            |               |
| PATRICK J. COPPERWHEAT            |        | NO LICENSE | TECHNICIAN    |
| ZACHARY D. KNAEBEL(13 yrs old)    | WL7BRJ | GENERAL    | ADVANCED      |
| WALTER A. LINDLEY                 | NL7VM  | GENERAL    | ADVANCED      |
| STEVEN H. THOMAS SR.              | WL7BZL | NOVICE     | TECHNICIAN    |
| <b>JUNEAU</b>                     |        |            |               |
| TAD C. FUJIOKA                    | NL7KL  | ADVANCED   | AMATEUR EXTRA |
| <b>SOLDOTNA</b>                   |        |            |               |
| <b>WASILLA</b>                    |        |            |               |
| <b>WILLOW</b>                     |        |            |               |

submitted by Roger Hansen, KL7HFQ, VEC Director)

# ALASKA PACIFIC UNIVERSITY

January 15, 1990

Mr. Ed Bosco  
Anchorage Amateur Radio Club  
4700 Riverton Ave.  
Anchorage, AK 99516

Dear Ed:

I am happy to report that the trustees matched the Anchorage Amateur Radio Club's \$25,000 endowment gift with well over \$25,000 in unrestricted monies in December.


Attached is the letter which went to trustees in mid-December, highlighting the Radio Club's gift and offering the challenge.

On behalf of APU, I want to thank you and your club members, and especially Fred Toliver, for your outstanding commitment to higher education in Alaska. The scholarship recipients will be forever grateful for the foresight and generosity of your gifts.

Hopefully, the recent decision regarding pull-tabs will be reversed and your club can continue to do the wonderful public service projects that you have committed to doing, knowing that your revenue source is secure.

Thank you again for your gifts, especially for the endowment gift which ensure's the future of the Anchorage Amateur Radio Club Scholarship fund. I will keep your club needs in mind as we develop plans for the new building and reconfiguration of Grant Hall.

Cordially,



Theresa Whitesell  
Director of Fund Development  
and Alumni Relations

c: Fred Toliver



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Instructors: Lil & Rick Marvin

NL7DL & KL7YF

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### REQUESTED STUDENT MATERIALS:

NOVICE: Radio Shack Novice course kit or  
AMECO/ARRL "Novice Class" Manual and  
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TECHNICIAN: AMECO "Technician Class" Manual or  
AMECO/ARRL "Technician Class" Manual

GENERAL: Radio Shack General Course kit or  
AMECO/ARRL "General Class" Manual and  
Code Master Tapes CM-1 1/2

The books and code tapes can be purchased at  
the following stores:

- Radio Shack Mountain View 274-0603
- Radio Shack Northway Mall 278-3098
- Radio Shack University Mall 562-2387

Be aware that the Morse code requirement is the biggest  
stumbling block for most aspiring hams! Begin practice now.



**"CQ SS" from the Y U K O N**  
by John Reisenauer, NL7TB/VY1

I'd been packed and ready for the "CQ SS Contest" for weeks. Since this was my first contest, I wanted to remember it for years to come. I chose to operate 10 meter phone from the Yukon because of the fun I had on previous trips (portable operation and from VY1AU, VY1QST and VY1DX).

Friday Nov. 16... I left Anchorage, AK at 5:15 am. Nine hours and 430 miles later I pulled into Ida's Motel & Cafe at Beaver Creek, Yukon (milepost 1202 on the Alcan Highway/ 20 miles from the AK border). Several moose and caribou were seen along the way. It was windy and atleast -10 degrees F when I set up station NL7TB/VY1. My rig was a FT-747GX barefoot to a chopped 11 meter ground plane antenna on a 30 foot push-up mast that was bumper mounted to my van. The antenna did not end up "as vertical" as planned, even with the 3 guy ropes attached (ten-o'clock position was the best I could obtain on my own). Some of the locals asked if I had parked my own television station outside of my motel room, hi! I'd forgotten how difficult RG-8U coax was to work with at this temperature. About 2 hours later I was QRV with stinging feet and face. I made a couple dozen contacts to the lower 48 during testing/check-out (5 pm local) until the 10 meter band closed down. I was informed that NL7TB/VY1 was all over 6 land packet radio!

Saturday Nov. 17... 10 meters didn't reopen until 1 hour before the contest started and quickly shutdown about 6 hours later. Propagation "up here" on the first day was disappointingly fair at best. I only netted 42 QSOs. The QRM and QSB made it very frustrating. NN2T was the first to "pounce" on my call and mentioned he put me on 2 land packet radio. I could see now that I was really going to have to work for the ARRL 100 QSO achievement pin.

Sunday Nov. 18.....10 meters reopened at 9 am and "hung-in-there" until around 6 pm local time. The last couple hours of the contest were the best of conditions (Murphy's Law, hi!). Most signals now were 5x9. I managed to rack up 95 QSOs today, but really had to struggle for the early ones. Even though I only averaged 10 contest contacts per hour, it was exciting operating from the beautiful/majestic Yukon! I had worked only 54 of the 77 total multipliers (no VE's heard) including: Hawaii (AH6KE & AH6AZ), Johnston Island (AH3C), Puerto Rico (NP4A) and Alaska (WL7BWA/AA, AJDC/KL7 & N7NPB/KL7). Non-contest DX contacts included: Tuvalu Island (T20A), Japan (JA1SGX, JJ3MIG & JA2YKA), New Zealand (ZL3IX) and the Russian Polar Station "Rauchua" in the Arctic Ocean (UAOKW).



On the humorous side, I was told the following: ...thanks for moving to the Yukon for me...you're my hero...Yukon, do I love you...man, I've been looking for you...thanks for the clean sweep and don't freeze your mic.....By far the most commonly heard was "thanks for being there". I couldn't begin to describe how good that made me feel.

Monday Nov. 19...Dismantling the station was a snap compared to set up, even in the 8" of new Yukon snow. I left Beaver Creek (still pumped up!) at 8:30 am. Regular unleaded gas at Glenallen, AK was \$1.74 per gallon- for your info. The return trip was quite a challenge (glare ice roads, semi-darkness most of the time, dumb caribou on the road and 6" of new snow in Anchorage).

The warm hospitality at Ida's and the "thanks for being there" heard on the radio will bring me back to the Yukon again. I had a fantastic time!!!





SPECIAL AARC BOARD MEETING

January 4, 1991

Attendees:

|                   |                |              |
|-------------------|----------------|--------------|
| President:        | Ed Bosco       |              |
| Vice President:   | Cathy Moody    |              |
| Secretary:        | Muriel Attwood |              |
| Treasurer:        | Robert Wilson  |              |
| Trustee:          | Bill Reiter    |              |
| Former President: | Harvey Rookus  |              |
| Board Members:    | Lance Dunbar   | Bill Capers  |
|                   | Keith Fenrich  | Fred Toliver |
|                   | Eric Stewart   | Fred Wegmer  |
|                   | Dianne Hammer  | Rick Marvin  |

The special board meeting was called to order at 8:15 p.m. during the break of the regular AARC meeting to elect members to the gambling committee.

Fred Wegmer made a motion to appoint Fred Toliver as member in charge of games. Bill Reiter seconded the motion. There was no discussion and Fred Toliver was elected unanimously to be in charge of the games.

Lance Dunbar made a motion to appoint Fred Wegmer as alternate. Ed Bosco seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Fred Wegmer was unanimously elected to be alternate in charge of the games.

There was no other business discussed and the special meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Submitted by the Secretary of the AARC, Muriel Attwood.

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Notice - Dues are now due for the YLRL

Send them to:

Roxann Moss NO9W  
Rt 1 Box 103A  
Downs, Illinois 61736

QST/FYI

17 DECEMBER 1990

Per. telecon. with Mr. Dick Shrum this date, reciprocal agreement with the U.S.S.R. can happen any time soon. This agreement should include 3rd. party and phone patch priveledges.

Mr. Shrum is with the Federal Dept. of State; Treaties Branch, Washington, D.C.. He has promised to notify us by FAX. when he recieves the word.

This treaty has been in the works for some 8 months now and is in it's final stages. This should be a real boost to all Radio Amateurs who are participating in the extending of the many races, explorations, expeditions, student exchanges, and celebrations of the 250th. Anniversary of the discovery of Alaska by the Russians. A South Pole transcontinental expedition is in the offing as well.

Our very own BIMJI MENARD,(KL7NG), hopes to join a Soviet/American Ski expedition from Northern Chukotka to Nome. The Soviets are especially interested in Bimji because of her radio capabilities as well as her expertise as a medical technician! Did you know that Bimji holds a "FIRST" for having climbed Mt. McKinley?

73 --  
KL7HJD

ARRL Bulletin 56 ARLB056

From ARRL Headquarters

Newington CT December 29, 1990

To All Radio Amateurs

FCC ruled on December 27 on exempting applicants with disabilities from the 13 and 20 WPM Morse examinations. Applicants upgrading to a license requiring these code levels may present to VEs certification from a physician to be exempted from the CW requirement. Only certification by Doctors of Medicine and Osteopathy will be accepted. Applicants will also be required to submit a release allowing FCC access to appropriate medical records. The new regulations take effect February 14, 1991, though waivers of 13 and 20 WPM code tests are already available under similar conditions. More information will appear in February QST.



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Harvey, would you pls include the following in the next newsletter. Tnx

Due to severe interference that doesn't seem to get any better, we have re-enabled our remote receiver from a temporary home at the ATV site on Upper O'Malley road, and put our main receiver under CTCSS decode. Please pass to anyone interested that if they can encode 100 hz cress then they will be able to access both receivers (if in range of course) and the voter will pass the best QUIETING signal on to the S4 Transmitter. If they CAN NOT encode 100 Hz then they will access only the remote receiver.

Thanks to KL7HD for re-mounting and enabling the remote receiver, and to KL7YF and KL7HIU for providing saftey comm for the crew(s) on the mountains.

Doug KL7IKX AARC Technical support group.

ARRL Bulletin 55 ARLB055

From ARRL Headquarters

Newington CT December 29, 1990

o All Radio Amateurs

FCC announced on December 27 details of the new code free Technician license. The license will carry full amateur privileges above 30 MHZ. The new regulations are effective February 14, 1991. Current licensees of all classes, including existing Technicians, will neither gain nor lose privileges. The Novice license will continue to be available to new applicants. Further information will appear in the February issue of QST.

Copied from W1AW by Tad, KT7H @ N7HFZ.WA.USA.NA.

Note- This is a example of one of the letters sent to the Legislative branch regarding the Pull Tabs and other Gambling devices for Charitable organizations. Use a format of this type for your letters to same.

ANCHORAGE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB, INC.,  
Gaming Committee  
1910 Rosemary Street  
Anchorage, Alaska 99508

7 January, 1991

State of Alaska  
Department of Commerce and Economic Development  
Division of Occupational Licensing  
Post Office Box D  
Juneau, Alaska 99811  
Attn: Mr. Randall Burns

Dear Mr. Burns,

I want you to know of our deep concern towards the Gaming Industry in our fair State. We cannot support the innuendos and accusations which have been bared to the press by certain people which allege fraud and dishonesty among the licensed operators. Our Club has been completely satisfied with the performance of Mr. Pete Kraemer for several years. We have always felt that we were getting our fair share of the proceeds.

Although our Club is a small group among many, we feel that we have made a significant impact on the welfare of our community with the proceeds from Pull Tabs, Bingo and Lotteries.

If the present efforts towards promulgation of new regulations are allowed to proceed, it very well may mean the death of Charitable Gaming in Alaska. Unnecessarily restrictive controls placed on the licensed operators shall force them to quit the business as it will not be profitable.

A very large segment of community assistance projects may be left without funds. I am certain that you do not want a condition to develop which would require Government assistance to replace the work now done by charitable associations.

Please do your very best work to bring about an atmosphere favorable to the Charitable Organizations and the Licensed Operators.

Sincerely,

Fred S. Wegner  
Gaming Treasurer



MAGADAN

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 Anchorage amateurs radio club  
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Dear American colleagues of the Air,

Hams of the city of Magadan, region 138, are glad to greet all of radio-amateurs of Alaska! Many times we met each other in the Air and know all active Hams by correspondence. We think it's time to reach each other more closely. Especially as Bering Strait only divides us and Alaska is closely to us than Moscow, hi! When here will be the constant flights from Alaska to Magadan, the distance between us will be only 3 hours. But now when only charters we offer first step with exchange by QSL cards from our radio amateurs direct instead via Box 88 in Moscow. Here is the first experience - some of Alaskan Hams have recognized UAØICX, Michael, which has visited Alaska this fall. He was enjoyed to meet a lot of Alaskan radio-amateurs. Everyone he met do not mind to contact with our radio club UZØIWA. Moreover he was examed for American license and now has WL7BZK callsign also. Who will be the first UAØ/KL7...? In July 1991 in Alaska the Celebration of 250 Years of Russian America Discovery. It will be nice to arrange first mutual radio-amateur award to this event and organize Soviet-American team in IARU Contest (July 1991) with callsign KL7AA? In our turn we shall be glad to invite Your representatives for mutualteam competition from zone 25 ITU or for AADX contest from the island of Spapharieff (as 59 for IOTA). Meanwhile send You the picture of our unanimous collective UZØIWA

Looking forward for Your early reply!

Sincerely

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KL7AA 146.94 December 1990 Repeater Totals

Total Phone Patches - 63

Total Emergency Patches - 25

Total Repeater User time - 2271 minutes / 37.8 hours

Total Downtime - 5 Hours - Antenna Failure & Repair

Average output Power - 73 watts

Thanks Doug for the interesting stats. It was eye opening to see that almost 40% of the Phone Patches were Emergency in nature. That proves we're doing our thing. Editor